

# COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

LOCATION:

MetroPlan Orlando

250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

#### Chairman Atlee Mercer presided

#### Members in attendance were:

Mr. Jeff Piggrem for Ms. Asima Azam, Orange County

Fr. Jabriel Ballentine, Orange County

Ms. Karolyn Campbell, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Sarah Elbadri, City of Orlando

Mr. Russ Hauck, City of Altamonte Springs

Mr. Brady Lessard, City of Sanford

Mr. Christopher Maier, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Robert McKey, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Atlee Mercer, Osceola County

Ms. Kayla Mitchell, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Theresa Mott, City of Apopka

Mr. R.J. Mueller, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Thomas O'Hanlon, Seminole County

Mr. Brindley Pieters, Seminole County

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Ms. Carmen Rasnick MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Casmore Shaw, Osceola County

Mr. Dan Stephens, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Tony Tizzio, Seminole County

Mr. Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud

Mr. Adam Valencic, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Venise White, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Scott Zubarik, MetroPlan Appointee

#### Members not in attendance were:

Mr. Jeffrey Campbell, Seminole County

Mr. Tyghe (T.J.) Legacy-Cole,

MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Bill Dehlinger, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Gregory Eisenberg, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Hector Lizasuain, Osceola County

Mr. Mark Loeb, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Lisa Portelli, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Marissa Salas, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Wade Vose, Orange County

Vacant, City of Kissimmee

#### Others in attendance were:

Mr. David Cooke, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

Ms. Kellie Smith, FDOT

Mr. Doug Robinson, LYNX

Mr. Gary Huttmann, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Crystal Mercedes, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

A complete listing of other attendees may be obtained upon request.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Atlee Mercer called the Community Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

# II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Fr. Jabriel Ballentine led the Committee in the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### III. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Mercer commented that the MetroPlan Orlando May Board meeting was held at Second Harvest Food Bank. He told CAC members that he recently attended a TEAMFL meeting in Coral Gables where the FDOT District 4 and District 6 Secretaries spoke. He called attention to the recent Poinciana Station SunRail train tour which was well attended.

#### IV. AGENDA REVIEW

Ms. Mary Ann Horne introduced herself and told committee members that Ms. Lambert was out of town. She stated that they were ready to move forward with the agenda. Ms. Horne reported that Mr. George Gault would be presenting the SunRail update and three more station tours were scheduled in June. She called attention to the TIP Public Hearing which was scheduled for Monday, June 11, 5:30 p.m. at MetroPlan Orlando.

#### V. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb confirmed that a quorum was present.

#### VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

#### VII. ACTION ITEMS

## A. Approval of April 25, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Approval was requested of the April 25, 2018 meeting minutes, which were provided.

**MOTION:** Mr. Rob McKey moved for approval of the April 25, 2018 meeting minutes.

Mr. Scott Zubarik seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the Community Advisory Committee recommend that the FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be amended to include a project on SR 60 in Osceola County. A letter from FDOT explaining the amendment request was provided, along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution to be presented at the June 13th Board meeting. Mr. Rob McKey asked where the funding was coming from for the project. Mr. Caskey responded that Federal funding was being used.

MOTION: Mr. Rob McKey moved for approval of the amendment to the FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Tony Tizzio seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## C. 2040 LRTP Addendum: Approval of Transportation Performance Measures

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested CAC recommend approval of MetroPlan Orlando's transportation performance measures. An attachment was provided. Mr. Lepp reviewed the performance measures process and timeline, noting that the goals and targets would be updated periodically. Discussion ensued regarding the definition of environmental justice, road conditions locally compared to nationwide, how environmental justice planning is done and its implications to the community and filling in the to-be-determined targets. Mr. Lepp responded that environmental justice involved those with no access to vehicles and the elderly and the data on that demographic is tracked by the census. Ms. Kellie Smith told CAC members that in terms of road conditions, FDOT always first looks at the safety of the system. Mr. Lepp told committee members that more multimodal projects help mitigate environmental justice concerns and the to-be-determined targets will come from FDOT.

MOTION: Mr. Tom O'Hanlon moved for approval of MetroPlan Orlando's transportation performance measures. Fr. Jabriel Ballentine seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## VIII. PRESENTATIONS AND STATUS REPORTS

#### A. Preview of FY 2018/19 - 2022/23 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented a preview of the new FY 2018/19 – 2022/23 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Copies of the FDOT highway, TSMO, bicycle and pedestrian, transit and commuter rail sections of the TIP were provided. A copy of the FY 2022/23 – 2039/40 Prioritized Project List (PPL) that was adopted last year and has

been updated to highlight the latest project phases that have been funded based on the new TIP was also provided. The TIP will be presented for approval at the June 27th CAC meeting. Mr. Caskey provided some background information on the TIP and reviewed the project changes. Chairman Mercer asked why the John Young Parkway project from Pleasant Hill road to Portage Street was deferred. Ms. Kellie Smith responded that due to funding shortfalls, some difficult project decisions needed to be made. She added that if additional funding becomes available projects will be added back in. Mr. Dan Stephens commented that bicycle facilities were not included on the John Young project and facilitating alternate modes of travel might help mitigate traffic congestion issues in the area. Discussion ensued regarding listing aviation projects as well, status of a proposed west to east bus rapid transit project, the impact of budget changes and the delay in Florida Turnpike Enterprise's Sand Lake Road intersection project. Mr. Caskey told CAC members that a list of aviation projects will be included in the final TIP He added that the TIP Public Hearing was scheduled for Monday, June 11, 5:30 p.m. at MetroPlan Orlando. Mr. Myles O'Keefe reported that the study for the bus rapid transit project, from Lake County to the University of Central Florida, locally preferred alternative identified two phases. One he noted would run from west to downtown and the other from the Lake County line to UCF, Ms. Kellie Smith explained that budget changes were affected by cost increases, such as right-of-way. Mr. Caskey added that the Sand Lake Road intersection project was delayed due to cost increases as well. Mr. Randy Schrader, City of Kissimmee, reported that City of Kissimmee and Osceola County staff have the John Young Parkway Project as a priority issue.

#### B. SunRail Update: Southern Expansion and Quiet Zones

Mr. George Gault, SunRail Program Manager, provided an update on SunRail's Southern Expansion and quiet zones. Mr. Gault told CAC members that the SunRail southern extension was on schedule to begin service July 30, 2018. He provided a status report on what work is currently underway both for the service expansion and quiet zones. Mr. Gault also included information regarding quiet zone funding. Discussion ensued in regards to bicycle trails alongside the train line, length of time train run testing has been underway, potential delays for current riders when the southern expansion starts, possibility of an east Orlando phase, and a possible free service period as was offered at the start of phase I. Mr. Gault explained that a major concern with trails next to the train line is trespassers. He added that the train testing had been underway for a number of months and a free period for startup south expansion service was under consideration. Mr. Rob McKey told CAC members that the Rails to Trails website provided examples of trails running next to train lines. Additional discussion ensued regarding ADA concerns at rail crossings, consistency at rail crossings, vetting of train engineers including their driving record, and whether the Kissimmee quiet zone will be in place when service begins. Mr. Gault responded that local jurisdictions are responsible for ADA compliance and Bombadier is responsible for hiring and background checks for engineers. Chairman Mercer requested that information verifying the hiring process be sent to Ms. Horne to forward to CAC members, Mr. Gault noted that ancillary items are in place for south expansion quiet zones and there is a Federal Railroad Administration risk assessment process that measures the risk at crossings with and without additional safety measures. He added that additional information was available on the SunRail website. Mr. Piggrem commented that the original request for a SunRail update included information on financials, including operations and maintenance for the system. Chairman Mercer added that those jurisdictions in the southern expansion area had significantly less time with FDOT subsidizing service before they needed to assume responsibility and he asked if that inequity would be taken into consideration. Mr. Gault responded that SunRail COO,

Nicola Liquori, would be the best person to respond to financial questions. Chairman Mercer requested a response on CAC questions and concerns regarding SunRail financials. Mr. Piggrem inquired about the SunRail connection to Orlando International Airport. He called attention to \$4 million spent on a PD&E study, yet no public meetings have been held. Mr. Gault responded that he believed the draft report on the SunRail Phase III OIA connection had been finalized, however FDOT staff would be better able to respond to the status of the study. CAC members requested an update on the Phase III connection to OIA. Mr. Tom O'Hanlon commented on the extensive testing time for the SunRail southern expansion.

### IX. GENERAL INFORMATION

# A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report

The latest FDOT monthly construction status report for the Orlando area was provided.

#### B. Air Quality Report

The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

## C. MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights

Highlights from the May 2018 MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting were provided.

#### D. LYNX Press Releases

The latest press releases from LYNX were provided.

#### E. Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities Update

At the last CAC meeting, a request was made for regular updates on the region's bicycle and pedestrian activities. A memo from Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando's bicycle and pedestrian planner, was provided to address this request. These memos will be a regular feature on future agendas under the general information section.

#### X. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

## A. Next Community Advisory Committee meeting

The next CAC meeting was scheduled on June 27, 2018. As a reminder, the dates of the remaining CAC meetings for 2018 will be (no meetings in July, September & December):

- 6/27/18
- 8/22/18
- 10/24/18
- 11/28/18

# B. Public Hearing for FY 2018/19 - 2022/23 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

A public hearing to review the FY 2018/19 - 2022/23 TIP will be held on Monday, June 11, 2018 in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando, FL 32801. Maps will be available for review at 5:30 p.m. and the public hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m.

# XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Tom O'Hanlon commented that CAC had requested a letter be sent to Elon Musk requesting a presentation on Hyperloop and asked what the status was of that letter and presentation.

Mr. Rob McKey commented that construction on west SR 50 and SR 408 looked completed and he thanked FDOT for their work on the projects.

Ms. Sarah Elbadri requested a Corrine Drive Complete Streets project update. Ms. Elizabeth Whitton responded that Phase I and II of the project are completed and a draft Phase III report should be completed by the end of the summer. Ms. Elbadri noted that Federal Highway Administration had published a Safer Communities to Walk and Bike Guide and she would forward staff the information to send to CAC members. She called attention to the City of Orlando's recently adopted Vision 0 action plan, the goal of which was to have zero traffic fatalities by the year 2040.

Mr. Rob Key called attention to the memo from Mr. Mighk Wilson on the region's bicycle and pedestrian activities. He asked if the information update would be available for future meetings. Staff responded that the memo would be an ongoing general information item.

# XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

#### XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed and submitted by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando.

Approved this 27th day of June 2018.

Mr. Atlee Mercer, Chairman

Ms Cathy Goldfarh

Senior Board Services Coordinator

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